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REQUEST

## CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) **TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

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See The American Inventors	Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	10/029,622
Filing Date	12/3/101
First Named Inventor	Xin, Y. E. etal
Group Art Unit	2892
Examiner Name	J.L. Brophy
Attorney Docket Number	1598-2018eC

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gez. Pet. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE	1453	1,300	2453	650	Petition to revive - unintentional	
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